

Attorney Docket No: 250213US-2CONT
Inventor: KATSUAKI MIYAWAKI et al.
Preliminary Amendment filed herewith

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

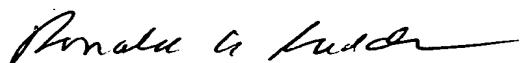
Favorable reconsideration of this application as presently amended and in light of the following discussion is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-61 has been canceled. Claims 62-63 were added by way of the present amendment. Support for new Claims 62 and 63 is found in original Claim 1 and in original Claim 61.

Accordingly, examination on the merits of Claims 62-63 is believed to be in order. An early and favorable action on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

OBLON, SPIVAK, McCLELLAND,
MAIER & NEUSTADT, P.C.



Gregory J. Maier
Attorney of Record
Registration No. 25,599
Ronald A. Rudder, PhD
Registration No. 45,618

Customer Number
22850

Tel: (703) 413-3000
Fax: (703) 413 -2220
(OSMMN 08/03)
GJM:RAR:clh

I:\ATTY\RAR\CONTINUATIONS\250213US\PRELAM.DOC